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June 25, 1993

Ms. Linda T. Solheim, Director
Office of Legislative Affairs
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, N.W., Room 808
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Solheim:

Enclosed you will find a copy of correspondence I have received from Kent Loudefeld.

Because of my desire to be responsive to all inquiries and communications, I will appreciate your consideration of this material. Please direct your response to Mike Carr in my Tulsa office at (918) 581-7785 or at 409 S. Boston, Suite 1820, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74103-4037.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

With best regards,

Sincerely,


David E. Boren
United States Senator

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The Honorable David Boren
United States Senator
409 S. Boston
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74103

Dear Senator Boren:

A constituent of ours, Kent Loudefeld, 421 Woods Lane, Claremore, Oklahoma 74017, recently contacted my office regarding the FCC.

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter from Mr. Loudefeld outlining his concerns. It will be appreciated if you would have someone in your office contact Mr. Loudefeld since this involves a federal agency.

Thank you for your assistance, and if I can ever be of service to you please let me know.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Stratton Taylor
State Senator

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Enclosure

Kent Leudefeld
421 Woods Ln
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February 16, 1993

The Honorable Stratton Taylor
United States Senate
Washington, DC. 20510

Dear Sir:

I have been involved with R/C airplanes for 23 years. I am currently active in 2 model airplane clubs, one has a membership of approximately 75, the other consists of 40 members. I have been interested in aviation for as long as I can remember, started radio-controlled airplanes when I was 13 years old, served in the USAF, working on F-4's, F-5's, F-111's, etc. I am currently working for a major airline - Aviation - all forms - is me - my being! I am writing because I am concerned about proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability for controlling model airplanes.

Our radio control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land

mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-controlled frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

Now the FCC wants to create more land mobile frequencies by splitting them into narrower bandwidths and rearranging the band plan. As a result, many land mobile frequencies will move closer to the radio-controlled frequencies and as a result, I

causes the operator to lose control of the aircraft. (The models I fly are ducted-fan airplanes (JETS), it is quite an investment - with radio equipment the value is worth \$3000.00 each. In radio equipment alone, I have invested \$3350.) We often fly our models at organized events and contests where hundreds of operators participate. We need the use of our full complement of radio frequencies in order to assure a safe flying environment.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve the operating conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of radio-controlled modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models and in our radio equipment. The hobby provides many hours of enjoyment to thousands of people like myself and contributes to the advancement and development of the commercial aviation industry.

Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its

responsibility in the 72-76 MHz band